



# SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Dillon County Technology Center  
 Grades: 10-12 Enrollment: 401  
 Director: Jerry R. Strickland  
 Board Chair: Mr. Richard H. Schafer  
 Superintendents: Stephen Laird Dillon 1  
 D Ray Rogers Dillon 2  
 Dr. John M. Kirby, Jr. Dillon 3

## PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD |                 | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------------------|
|      |                 |               | General Performance            | Closing the Gap |            |                         |
| 2009 | Average         | At-Risk       | TBD                            | TBD             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2008 | Excellent       | Excellent     | Gold                           | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |
| 2007 | Excellent       | Good          | Gold                           | N/A             | Met        | N/A                     |

## ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF CAREER CENTERS IN SC\*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 17        | 13   | 4       | 3             | 0       |

\* Ratings are calculated with data available by 03/17/2010. All Career Centers in South Carolina are included.

## TECHNICAL SKILL ATTAINMENT

The percentage of students enrolled in career and technology courses at a center who earn a 2.0 or above on the final course grade.

| Our Center |       | State Center Average (%) |
|------------|-------|--------------------------|
| n          | %     | %                        |
| 134        | 85.1% | 86.3%                    |

## GRADUATION RATE

The number of 12th grade career technology education students who graduate in the spring is divided by the number of 12th graders enrolled in the center and converted to a percentage.

| Our Center |       | State Center Average (%) |
|------------|-------|--------------------------|
| n          | %     | %                        |
| 46         | 95.7% | 95.4%                    |

## PLACEMENT RATE

The number of career and technology completers who are available for placement in postsecondary instruction, military services, or employment is divided into the number of students over a three-year period who are actually placed and converted to a percentage. This criterion mirrors the Perkins standard.

| Our Center |       | State Center Average (%) |
|------------|-------|--------------------------|
| n          | %     | %                        |
| 223        | 91.9% | 96.9%                    |

## NAEP PERFORMANCE\*

\* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

### READING – GRADE 8 (2007)

|  |    |    |    |   |
|--|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina   | 31 | 44 | 23 | 2 |
| Nation   | 27 | 43 | 27 | 2 |
| % Below Basic    % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced<br>■ Below Basic    □ Basic    ■ Proficient    ■ Advanced |    |    |    |   |

### MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)

|  |    |    |    |   |
|--|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina   | 29 | 39 | 24 | 7 |
| Nation   | 30 | 39 | 24 | 7 |
| % Below Basic    % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced<br>■ Below Basic    □ Basic    ■ Proficient    ■ Advanced |    |    |    |   |

### SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)

|  |    |    |    |   |
|--|----|----|----|---|
| South Carolina   | 46 | 31 | 21 | 2 |
| Nation   | 43 | 30 | 24 | 3 |
| % Below Basic    % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced<br>■ Below Basic    □ Basic    ■ Proficient    ■ Advanced |    |    |    |   |

## SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

### 2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

### 2020 Vision:

By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

### Abbreviations Key

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# Dillon County Technology Center

## SCHOOL PROFILE

|   | Our Center | Change from Last Year | Median Career Center |
|---|------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Students (n=401)</b>                                   |            |                       |                      |
| With disabilities other than speech                       | 3.0%       | Down from 10.1%       | 8.2%                 |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations | 30.4%      | Up from 23.0%         | 18.9%                |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses                   | 401        | Down from 427         | 675                  |
| Students participating in work-based experiences          | 64.3%      | Down from 78.9%       | 19.7%                |
| <b>Teachers (n=11)</b>                                    |            |                       |                      |
| Teachers with advanced degrees                            | 18.2%      | No Change             | 28.6%                |
| Continuing contract teachers                              | 90.9%      | Up from 72.7%         | 73.8%                |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates       | 20.0%      | Down from 30.0%       | 19.0%                |
| Teachers returning from previous year                     | 91.7%      | No Change             | 91.5%                |
| Teacher attendance rate                                   | N/R        | N/R                   | 95.7%                |
| Average teacher salary*                                   | \$41,381   | No Change             | \$48,318             |
| Professional development days/teacher                     | 2.2 days   | Up from 2.0 days      | 12.1 days            |
| <b>Center</b>   |            |                       |                      |
| Director's years at Center                                | 9.0        | No Change             | 5.0                  |
| Dollars spent per pupil**                                 | \$4,402    | Up 20.7%              | \$3,726              |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**            | 45.4%      | Up from 44.5%         | 51.6%                |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction**                 | 56.2%      | Down from 57.8%       | 65.4%                |
| Parents attending conferences                             | 44.4%      | Up from 37.0%         | 88.3%                |

\* Length of contract = 185+ days.

\*\* Prior year audited financial data available.

## EVALUATION RESULTS

|  | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned                             | 12       | 55        | 48       |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment            | 90.9%    | 90.9%     | 79.2%    |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 100.0%   | 90.7%     | 74.5%    |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations           | 83.3%    | 90.6%     | 76.6%    |

\* Only eleventh grade students and their parents were included.

## REPORT OF DIRECTOR AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

The 2008-2009 school year was a very successful year for the Dillon County Technology Center. The center began the year with one new instructor, Mr. Luther Pouncey, in the Building Construction Department. Mr. Pouncey added a variety of new experiences to our already national certified program. The center as a whole worked together on community projects such as Pennies for Patients and ran a program to aid the fire victims in Horry County.

Some additional accomplishments are as follows: the center received the Palmetto Gold Award for student achievement and student retention; the center also received an Absolute Rating of Excellent and an Improvement Rating of Excellent on its 2008 School Report Card.

The Cosmetology Department had 7 of 9 students to complete and pass their state board exam. These students will receive their State Cosmetology Licenses before graduation. The center inducted 4 additional students into the National Technical Honor Society and had 2 students to participate in the Ford AAA contest. Culinary Arts Students placed third in the state in the National Culinary Arts contest. The Culinary Arts Students also prepared the food and served it for the Ben Bernake Day in Dillon. Health Science Students participated in the Autism Walk at Lowe's Motor Speedway in Charlotte, NC, and they also participated in the State HOSA State Events. The Agriculture Science Department worked with the Healthy Learners Organization of Dillon and raised \$240.00 for Healthy Learners through the Horticulture Plant sale. All school departments along with the office staff worked together this year on the food drive for needy families and completed a very successful food drive.

Jerry R. Strickland, Center Director  
George Hayes, SIC Chairperson

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